

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for attaching a fastener to a wallboard, the fastener including a drivable anchor and a pin, the method comprising:
driving the anchor into the wallboard; and
inserting the pin into a channel of the anchor, thereby causing a pivotable section of the anchor to pivot and come into contact an interior surface of the wallboard.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein a lever action between the pin and the pivotable section causes the pivotable section to pivot.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein a rack and pinion action between the pin and the pivotable section causes the pivotable section to pivot.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the pivotable section pivots to a predetermined position relative to the wallboard.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the pin has one of a pan screw head, a flat screw head, a round screw head, an oval screw head, a countersunk screw head, a machine screw head, a hook head, an eye hook head, a ring head, a swivel head, a shoulder head, a nut, and a bolt head.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein the pin has one of a ratcheted body, a threaded body, and a ribbed body.
7. The method of claim 1, wherein an external cross-sectional profile of the anchor is elongated so as to provide a larger load-bearing surface for the wallboard.
8. The method of claim 1, wherein an internal cross-sectional profile of the channel is elongated so as to accommodate a range of pin sizes and types.
9. The method of claim 1, wherein the anchor includes at least one stabilizing fin.
10. A fastener useful in association with a wallboard, comprising:
 - a drivable anchor having at least one pivotable section; and
 - a pin configured to be inserted into a channel of the anchor so that the insertion of the pin causes the pivotable section of the anchor to pivot and come into contact an interior surface of the wallboard.
11. The fastener of claim 10, wherein the anchor and the pin are configured so that a lever action between the pin and the pivotable section will cause the pivotable section to pivot.
12. The fastener of claim 10, wherein the anchor and the pin are configured so that a rack and pinion action between the pin and the pivotable section will cause the pivotable section to pivot.

13. The fastener of claim 10, wherein the pivotable section is configured to be pivoted to a predetermined position relative to the wallboard.
14. The fastener of claim 10, wherein the pin has one of a pan screw head, a flat screw head, a round screw head, an oval screw head, a countersunk screw head, a machine screw head, a hook head, an eye hook head, a ring head, a swivel head, a shoulder head, a nut, and a bolt head.
15. The fastener of claim 10, wherein the pin has one of a ratcheted body, a threaded body, and a ribbed body.
16. The fastener of claim 10, wherein an external cross-sectional profile of the anchor is elongated so as to provide a larger load-bearing surface for the wallboard.
17. The fastener of claim 10, wherein an internal cross-sectional profile of the channel is elongated so as to accommodate a range of pin sizes and types.
18. The fastener of claim 10, wherein the anchor includes at least one stabilizing fin.
19. A drivable anchor, useful in association with a wallboard and a pin, the anchor comprising at least one pivotable section, the pivotable section configured so that an insertion of the pin into a channel of the anchor causes the pivotable section of the anchor to pivot and come into contact an interior surface of the wallboard.
20. The anchor of claim 19, wherein the anchor is configured so that a lever action between the pin and the pivotable section will cause the pivotable section to pivot.

21. The anchor of claim 19, wherein the anchor is configured so that a rack and pinion action between the pin and the pivotable section will cause the pivotable section to pivot.
22. The anchor of claim 19, wherein the pivotable section is configured to be pivoted to a predetermined position relative to the wallboard.
23. The anchor of claim 19, wherein the pin has one of a pan screw head, a flat screw head, a round screw head, an oval screw head, a countersunk screw head, a machine screw head, a hook head, an eye hook head, a ring head, a swivel head, a shoulder head, a nut, and a bolt head.
24. The anchor of claim 19, wherein the pin has one of a ratcheted body, a threaded body, and a ribbed body.
25. The anchor of claim 19, wherein an external cross-sectional profile of the anchor is elongated so as to provide a larger load-bearing surface for the wallboard.
26. The anchor of claim 19, wherein an internal cross-sectional profile of the channel is elongated so as to accommodate a range of pin sizes and types.
27. The anchor of claim 19, wherein the anchor further comprises at least one stabilizing fin.

28. An anchor useful in association with a wallboard, wherein an external cross-sectional profile of the anchor is elongated so as to provide a larger load-bearing surface for the wallboard.
29. The anchor of claim 28 wherein the anchor is drivable.
30. An anchor useful in association with a wallboard and a pin, wherein an internal cross-sectional profile of a channel of the anchor is elongated so as to accommodate a range of pin sizes and types.
31. The anchor of claim 30 wherein the anchor is drivable.
32. An anchor useful in association with a wallboard and a pin, the anchor comprising an anchor having at least one pivotable section, the pivotable section configured so that a rack and pinion action between the pin and the anchor causes the pivotable section to pivot and come into contact an interior surface of the wallboard as the pin is inserted into a channel of the anchor.